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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AUDITS AT THE STATE UNIVERSITIES

University of lowa (UI). The Auditor of State has released a <u>report</u> regarding the MAUI Student Financial Aid System at the UI for the period from May 19, 2014, through July 31, 2014. The only recommendation resulting from the review noted that encryption software should be installed on all laptop computers and portable storage devices that could store sensitive information. The UI responded by providing an explanation of policy revisions that have been completed and the efforts underway to implement the necessary encryption.

Iowa State University (ISU). The Auditor of State has released a <u>report</u> regarding the ISU Kuali Financial System for the period from April 30, 2014, through May 28, 2014. Two recommendations resulted from the review. The first noted that encryption software has been installed on new laptop computers but should also be installed on all laptops and portable storage devices that could store sensitive information. The University responded that it is modifying existing standards to require such encryption software and existing laptops are scheduled to be encrypted by December 31, 2015. The second recommendation involved segregation of duties for the initiation and approval of disbursement vouchers. The University responded that the segregation of duties was implemented in August 2014.

University of Northern Iowa (UNI). The Auditor of State has released a <u>report</u> regarding the UNI Facility Administration and Maintenance Information System (FAMIS) for the period from April 29, 2014, through June 5, 2014. The review resulted in one recommendation regarding the need for encryption software on all laptop computers and portable storage devices that could store sensitive information. The University responded by explaining the evolution of encryption technology at the University and current efforts to implement the necessary encryption.

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